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Response to Communication of 23 August 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Communication of 23 August 2006 indicating an incomplete response to the Final rejection of 19 July 2006.

Applicants have claimed priority from two U.S. Provisional applications, 60/360,929 filed 1 March 2002 and 60/362,842 filed 11 March 2002.

A question has been raised about the priority claims, particularly with respect to the '842 provisional application. This question was first raised in a Filing receipt dated 7 September 2005 wherein it was noted that the '842 application "is not consistent with PTO records". Attached hereto are copies of the filing receipts of the two provisional applications. It is believed that the priority claims are correct. However, applicants invite the USPTO to correct the priority claims if the data on these filing receipts is incorrect.

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Deposition of partially dry catalytic layers



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